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Proclamation 15-07 Donate Life Month

WHEREAS, One of the most meaningful gifts that a human being can bestow upon another is the gift of life; and

WHEREAS, more than 28,000 Americans receive a lifesaving organ transplant every year; and

WHEREAS, a new patient is added to the national patient waiting list for an organ transplant every 10 minutes; and

WHEREAS, over 123,000 men, women and children are currently on the national waiting list for organ transplantation, of which more than 1,100 are in the West and Southwest Florida area; and

WHEREAS, an average of 19 people die every day awaiting an organ transplant that does not come in time; and

WHEREAS, one organ, tissue and eye donor can save or enhance the lives of as many as 60 people; and

NOW, THEREFORE, everyone who is a potential organ, eye and tissue donor can register their wish to save lives through organ and tissue donation at www.DonateLifeFlorida.org or when renewing their driver license or state identification card;

Now, therefore, I, Richard Christmas, Mayor of the Town of St. Leo, Florida do hereby proclaim the month of April 2015 as "Donate Life Month" in the Town of St. Leo and encourage all residents to consider giving life through organ donation and to sign up on Florida's organ and tissue donor registry by visiting www.DonateLifeFlorida.org or when renewing their driver license or state identification card.

Duly adopted and proclaimed this 13th day of April, 2015.

HEOL.

Richard H. Christmas, Mayor

Joan Miller, MMC – Town Clerk